BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in regular session at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 8:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on November 2, 2001, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this March 21, 2002 meeting. At the abovenamed place there were present the following members to wit: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William S. Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Mr. Roy Klumb, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten. Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely was absent. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bill Crawford, President, and opened with prayer by Ms. Newton.

BOARD DINNER

Mr. Bill Crawford thanked Dr. J. Charles Lee, Interim President of Mississippi State University, and his faculty and staff for hosting the March 21, 2002 Board dinner.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Mr. Colbert, with Dr. Magee and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of the Board meeting held on February 21, 2002, stand approved.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT

On motion by Ms. Garrett, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Dr. Magee and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That consent to be considered is granted to all items not previously placed on the agenda and hereinafter reported.

Mr. Crawford passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Dr. Stacy Davidson for consideration of the Academic and Student Affairs Agenda.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS AGENDA

Presented by Dr. Stacy Davidson

On motion by Mr. Colbert, seconded by Mr. Griffis, with Dr. Magee and Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves agenda item #2, as submitted on the following Academic and Student Affairs Agenda. Agenda item #3 was approved on a separate motion by Ms. Whitten, seconded by Ms. Newton, with Dr. Magee and Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda items #5 - #7 were approved on separate split votes as shown below.

- 1. **ASU** (**Information item.**) Dr. Clinton Bristow, President of Alcorn State University, updated the Board concerning the University's expansion to Vicksburg, Mississippi. ASU intends to offer classes in Area Computer Networking and Teacher Education for the Fall 2002 semester. A Physician Assistant Program is in the planning stage for the Vicksburg area as well. Currently, the University is searching for a facility in the Vicksburg area, but no recommendation is made at this time.
- 2. **MSU** Approved request to award the honorary degree, Doctor of Business, to Mr. Bobby P. Martin, at the May 11, 2002 commencement ceremony.
- 3. **System Administration** Approved reappointment of Dr. Malvin A. Williams, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Alcorn State University, to the Mississippi Higher Education Assistance Corporation by The Board of Trustees for a four year term ending in May 6, 2006.
- 4. **System Administration.** (**Information item.**) The 15th Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) program was held on Tuesday, February 19, 2002, in Jackson. Chaired by Lieutenant Governor Amy Tuck, HEADWAE is an annual program of the state legislature that honors faculty and students for academic excellence in Mississippi's 38 public and private colleges and universities. The program is funded by corporate sponsors. HEADWAE faculty and student honorees for 2001-2002 are as follows:

Institution	Student Honoree	Faculty Honoree
Alcorn State University	Christopher A. Winder	Benson Kariuki
Delta State University	Joshua P. Manley	Vicki L. Bingham
Jackson State University	Janet Marie Brantley	Huey-Min Hwang
Mississippi State University	Sebron Wood Harrison	Louis D'Abramo
Mississippi University for Women	Michele Haynie	Kenneth G. Polizi
Mississippi Valley State University	Archie Tucker	Lawrence C. Horn
University of Mississippi	Clarence Webster, III	Ronald A. Schroeder
University of Mississippi Medical Center	James Bradley Bell	John P. Naftel
University of Southern Mississippi	Ashley Tullos	Richard L. Conville

- 5. **System Administration** Request for a new academic program, as follows:
 - a. University of Mississippi Bachelor of Paralegal Studies (CIP 22.0103).

A motion was made by Ms. Whitten, seconded by Ms. Newton, to approve the above request for a new academic program. The motion passed on a 9 to 2 vote, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Board members voting for the motion were: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William S. Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten. Board members voting against the motion were Ms. Ricki R. Garrett and Mr. Roy Klumb.

- 6. **System Administration** Request the following administrative change:
 - a. Establishment of Department University of Mississippi Department of Legal Studies.

A motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Newton, to approve the above request for an administrative change. The motion passed on a 9 to 2 vote, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Board members voting for the motion were: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William S. Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten. Board members voting against the motion were Ms. Ricki R. Garrett and Mr. Roy Klumb.

- 7. **System Administration** Request the following Academic Productivity Review recommendations:
 - a. Academic Units that are recommended for three-year probation, as follows:
 - ASU Family and Consumer Sciences
 - **DSU** Physical Science
 - **JSU** (1) Music; (2) Physics, Atmospheric & General Studies; and (3) Speech & Dramatic Art
 - MSU (1) Entomology & Plant Pathology and (2) Music Education
 - MVSU Fine Arts
 - **UM** (1) Electrical Engineering and (2) Mechanical Engineering
 - USM (1) Chemistry & Biochemistry and (2) Music
 - b. Master's Degree Programs that are recommended for three-year probation, as follows:
 - **DSU** English Education, M.Ed.
 - **JSU** (1) Criminology and Justice Services, M.A.; (2) Science Education, M.S.T.; (3) Music Education, M.M.E.; (4) Chemistry, M.S.; (5) History, M.A.; (6) Political Science, M.A.; (7) Early Childhood Education K-3, M.S. Ed.; and (8) Mass Communications, M.S.
 - MSU (1) Agricultural Pest Mgmt., M.Agri.; (2) Architecture, M.S.; (3) Plant Pathology,
 - M.S.; (4) Biochemistry, M.S.; (5) Physics, M.S.; (6) Genetics, M.S.; (7) Animal Physiology,
 - M.S.; (8) Entomology, M.S.; and (9) Poultry Science, M.S.
 - **UM** Political Science, M.A.
 - USM (1) Anthropology, M.A. and M.S.; (2) Physics, M.S.; and (3) Recreation, M.S.
 - c. Doctorate Degree Programs that are recommended for three-year probation, as follows:
 - MSU (1) Computer Engineering, Ph.D. and (2) Plant Pathology, Ph.D.
 - **UM** (1) Pharmacy Administration, Ph.D.; (2) Mathematics, Ph.D.; (3) Economics, Ph.D.; and (4) Political Science, Ph.D.

d. Academic Programs - Suspend Admission, as follows:

Master's Degree Programs

MSU - (1) Agricultural Economics, M.S. and (2) Engineering Mechanics, M.S.

Doctoral Degree Programs

USM - Science Education, Ed.D.

e. Academic Programs to be phased-out, as follows:

Master's Degree Programs

MSU - Systems Management, M.S.S.M.

UM - (1) Systems Management, M.S.S.M.; (2) Computational Engineering Science, M.S.; and (3) Art History, M.A.

UMMC - (1) Maternal-Newborn Nursing, M.S.N.; (2) Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing, M.S.N.; and (3) Nursing of Children and Adolescents, M.S.N.

USM - English, M.S.

Doctorate Degree Programs

UM - English, D.A.

UMMC - Pharmacology and Toxicology, Ph.D.

f. Academic Program and Department name changes, as follows:

Program Name Changes - ASU

From: Family and Consumer Sciences, B.S. To: Health Systems Management, B.S.

From: Food and Nutrition, B.S.
To: Nutrition and Dietetics, B.S.

From: Child Development and Family Studies, B.S.

To: Child Development, B.S.

Department Name Change - ASU

From: Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

To: Department of Human Services

A motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Garrett, to approve the academic productivity review recommendations as shown above. The motion passed on a 10 to 1 vote, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Board members voting for the motion were: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William S. Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Mr. Roy Klumb, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten. Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton voted against the motion.

8. **System Administration** - Dr. James Williams, Vice President, USM Gulf Coast, discussed the proposed plans for the USMGC campus.

9. **Other Business** - Dr. Davidson recognized Dr. Wallace Conerly, Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and Dean, School of Medicine, for the University of Mississippi Medical Center, and his wife Francis. Tonight, Dr. and Mrs. Conerly will receive the People of Vision Award, 2002 presented by Preserve Sight of Mississippi.

Dr. Davidson passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Carl Nicholson for consideration of the Budget & Financial Affairs Agenda.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL AFFAIRS AGENDA

Mr. Carl Nicholson, Chair

On motion by Mr. Griffis, seconded by Ms. Garrett, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves agenda item #1, as submitted on the following Budget & Financial Affairs Agenda. Agenda item #2 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda item #3 was approved on a separate motion by Ms. Garrett, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda items #4 and #5 were approved on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Davidson, withDr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda items #6 and #7 were approved on a separate motion by Dr. Davidson, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda item #8 was approved on a separate motion by Ms. Garrett, seconded by Mr. Crawford, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda item #9 was accepted on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting.

- 1. **ASU** Approved request for an independent audit to be conducted by May & Company for FY 2002 to implement improved procedures.
- 2. **DSU** Approved request, contingent upon approval by the Mississippi Department of Information Services, to authorize the Bureau of Building to proceed with the purchase of library management software and conversion services from SIRSI Corporation software in the amount of \$201,981 to be paid from funds previously set aside by the Bureau of Buildings as part of the Roberts Library Expansion and Renovation Project (GS #102-175). Bids were as follows:

Company	Base Bid
1. SIRSI	\$201,981
2. Ex Libris	\$212,950
3. Endeavor	\$315,838

3. **MVSU** - Approved resolution authorizing the filing of an application to the Mississippi Department of Transportation for a grant to assist in providing transportation services in four Delta counties. The Mass Transit system serves as a vital means of transportation for students to attend the University. (**See Exhibit 1.**)

4. **UM** - Approved request to increase the Auxiliary Enterprises Budget which is funded from self-generated revenues, as follows:

	Current	Budget	Revised
	Budget	Revision	Budget
Object of Expenditure	<u>2001-2002</u>	<u>#1</u>	2001-2002
Salaries, Wages & Fringe Benefits	\$6,335,949	\$67,500	\$6,403,449
Travel & Subsistence	\$88,750	\$0	\$88,750
Contractual Services	\$5,978,729	\$42,500	\$6,021,229
Commodities	\$1,790,410	\$71,000	\$1,861,410
Merchandise for Resale	\$3,125,060	\$0	\$3,125,060
Capital Outlay:			
Other than Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$638,161	\$175,000	\$813,161
Subsidies, Loans & Grants			
(Transfers)	\$2,089,187	\$0	\$2,089,187
Total:	\$20,046,246	<u>\$356,000</u>	\$20,402,246

5. **UM** - Approved request to increase the Intercollegiate Athletics Budget which is funded from Southeastern Conference Bowl Coalition Receipts, as follows:

	Current	Budget	Revised
	Budget	Revision	Budget
Object of Expenditure	<u>2001-2002</u>	<u>#1</u>	2001-2002
Salaries, Wages & Fringe Benefits	\$6,175,409	\$0	\$6,175,409
Travel & Subsistence	\$2,553,765	\$30,000	\$2,583,765
Contractual Services	\$8,782,528	\$102,170	\$8,884,698
Commodities	\$1,661,463	\$117,830	\$1,779,293
Merchandise for Resale	\$112,523	\$0	\$112,523
Capital Outlay:			
Other than Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$474,190	\$0	\$474,190
Subsidies, Loans & Grants			
(Transfers)	\$3,464,144	<u>\$0</u>	\$3,464,144
Total:	\$23,224,022	\$250,000	\$23,474,022

- 6. **UMMC** Approved the following requests to enter into agreements:
 - a. Request to enter into an agreement with Southern Healthcare Agency, Inc. to provide professional nursing services for the University Hospitals at times when the need to supplement its existing staff ensures efficient and quality functioning of the individual units. The contract period is from March 22, 2002 through June 30, 2002 and should not exceed \$500,000 for the period.
 - b. Request to enter into an agreement with Prime Care Nursing, Inc. to provide professional nursing services for the University Hospitals at times when the need to supplement its existing staff ensures efficient and quality functioning of the individual units. The contract is for the period March 22, 2002 through June 30, 2002 and should not exceed \$500,000 for the period.

- 7. **UMMC** Approved request to amend an agreement with Sodexho Marriott Management, Inc. for additional environmental services for recently renovated space for the Children's Rehabilitation Center, the Round Tower, and the newly opened Critical Care Hospital. The amended contract price begins April 1, 2002 and will increase from \$62,811.58 to \$75,699.01 per week. The initial contract period of December 1, 2000 through November 30, 2003 is still in effect. Funds are available from patient revenue.
- 8. **System Administration** Approved amendment to the *Board Policies and Bylaws*—Section 707.01-Land, Property, and Service Contracts, as follows:

707.01 Land, Property, and Service Contracts

Board approval prior to execution of the contract is required for all other land, personal property, and service contracts that require and aggregate total expenditure of more than \$250,000. **Board approval prior to execution of the contract is required for any bookstore, food service, or athletic concession contract projected to generate aggregate total revenues for a university of more than \$250,000, or if the term of such contract exceeds four years.** Board approval prior to execution of an easement is required.

9. **System Administration (Information item.)** - Accepted the report of May & Company which gives Alcorn State University an unqualified opinion for the FY 2001 Audit. Mr. Russell Hawkins, Managing Partner of May & Company, Barry Higginbotham, Audit Partner of May & Company, and Barry LaGrone, Manager of May & Company, gave a presentation about the audit. A copy of the audit report is included in the bound *March 21, 2002 Board Working File*.

Mr. Nicholson passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Bryce Griffis for consideration of the Building/Facilities Agenda.

BUILDING/FACILITIES AGENDA

Mr. Bryce Griffis, Chair

On motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves agenda items #1 - #7, as submitted on the following Building/Facilities Agenda. Agenda item #8 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Magee, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda item #9 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Garrett, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda items #10 - #15 were approved on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting.

- 1. **MSU** Approved initiation of a project to perform storm damage repairs and renovations through the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$3,860,000 from S.B. 3158, Laws of 2001. The following is a list of proposed sites, budget estimates, and recommended professionals:
 - a. Allen Hall Roofing and Waterproofing, \$900,000, Tompkins & Barron Architects;
 - b. Dorman Hall Roofing and Waterproofing, \$400,000, William H. Rosamond & Associates;
 - c. Harned Hall Roofing and Waterproofing, \$500,000, Belinda Stewart Architects, P.A.;
 - d. Industrial Education Roofing and Waterproofing, \$900,000, Shafer/Banner & Associates Architects; and
 - e. Memorial Hall Roofing and Waterproofing, \$300,000, Coffey & Associates.
- 2. **UM** Approved initiation of **IHL#207-215**, **Paul B. Johnson Commons Renovations**, appointment of Cooke Douglass Farr Lemons/LTD. as project professionals, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. The estimated cost of construction is \$486,000. Funds are available in the amount of \$650,000 from self-generated funds.
- 3. **MSU** Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$183,522 to the low bidder, Webster Electric Company, for **GS** #113-095, Bost Extension Center Utilities Upgrade, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$250,000 from S.B. 3158, Laws of 2001. Bids were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternates
1. Webster Electric	\$183,522	1. (\$23,866)
		2. (\$30,310)
2. Woodall Electric	\$200,148	1. (\$18,560)
		2. (\$22,695)
3. Triplett Electric	\$204,900	1. (\$22,400)
		2. (\$61,000)

- 4. **USM** Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$6,767,000 to the low bidder, Finlo Construction Company, for **GS** #108-212, **The International Center**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$4 million from S.B. 3158, Laws of 2001, and in the amount of \$3.9 million from University Auxiliary Funds.
- 5. **ASU** Approved contract documents for **GS** #101-221, Mechanical Renovations, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available from S.B. 3158, Laws of 2001.
- 6. **UMMC** Approved contract documents for **IHL** #209-449, **Replace Deareator/Water Heaters**, and authorize advertisement for receipt of bids. Funds are available in the amount of \$350,000 from interest income.

- 7. **USM** Approved construction documents for **GS** #108-213, **Student Union Re-Roofing**, authorize advertisement for the receipt of bids, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$500,000 from S.B. 3358, Laws of 2001.
- 8. **JSU** Approved Morgan Keegan as underwriter for **IHL** #203-135, **Student Recreation Center.** Funds will be available in the amount of \$12 million from the issuance of bonds by JSU EBC and from student tuition.
- 9. **UM** Approved issuance by the UM EBC of bonds to refinance existing EBC bonds and of \$7 million in bonds to finance **Student Housing Renovation** project. Also, approved employment of Butler Snow O'Mara Stevens & Cannada as bond counselat a fee of \$30,000 plus expenses and employment of Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc. as underwriter.
- 10. **MSU** Approved request to advertise for the receipt of bids for approximately 406 acres of timber from the John W. Starr Memorial Forest and seven acres of timber from the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Experiment Station's Plant Sciences Research Center.
- 11. **UM** Approved construction documents, authorize advertisement for the receipt of bids for **GS** #107-257, **Physical Plant Relocation**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$2 million from the Bureau Bond Sale.
- 12. **UM** Approved construction documents and authorize advertisement for the receipt of bids for **IHL** #207-214, **Stockard-Martin Renovations.** Funds are available in the amount of \$900,000 from self-generated auxiliary operating reserves.
- 13. **MSU** Approved request to remove the following two buildings from inventory:
 - a. Building 1618 Well Storage building, brick construction, built in 1962 at a cost of \$175 and
 - b. Building 1619 Car Storage building, wood construction, built in 1945 at a cost of \$500, renovated in 1989 at a cost of \$450.

These buildings have deteriorated and are beyond economical renovation. They will be dismantled and any usable material salvaged.

- 14. **MVSU** Approved Change Order #3 in the amount of \$143,566 for **GS** #106-169, Install a Second Chiller, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the project budget.
- 15. **UM** Approved the following requests for easements:
 - a. Execute a perpetual easement to Derlyn and Pat Bond whose driveway crosses the University's Forest Land property to Highway 15.
 - b. Execute an easement to the City of Oxford for construction of a North-South road along portions of the old railroad right-of-way recently purchased by the University. The new road

will remove through traffic from the center of campus.

c. Execute an easement to the Whirlpool Corporation to allow construction of a road from the Highway 6 Bypass. The new road will allow the University access to the 500 acre Hathorn property it owns south of Highway 6.

Mr. Griffis passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Bill Crawford for consideration of the Personnel/Foreign Travel Agenda.

PERSONNEL/FOREIGN TRAVEL AGENDA

Presented by Dr. Thomas Layzell

On motion by Mr. Nicholson, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves the employment of personnel items, agenda item #2, and the nullification of employment item, as submitted on the following Personnel/Foreign Travel Agenda. The termination of employment items were approved on a separate motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Dr. Magee, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. The emeritus status item and the change of status item were approved on a separate motion by Mr. Nicholson, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda item #3 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting.

1. **Personnel Report.**

EMPLOYMENT

Delta State University - Athletics

Williams, Joel M.

Jackson State University - Athletics

Johnson, Greg

Jackson State University

Ezeala-Harrison, Fidelis

Mississippi State University

Buchanan, Michael S. Chakrabarty, Subhra Chrisman, James J. Fain, Glenn B. Giordana, Adriana Kauffman, Brian M. Miller, George P. Stevenson, Tommy

University of Mississippi

Adcock, Kim G. Secunda, Paul M. Sinha, Hans P. Williams, C. Jackson

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Davy, Brenda M. Davy, Kevin P. Gui, Lizhen Monico, Jesus

University of Southern Mississippi

Wicks, Douglas A.

Yang, Jie

NULLIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Egeland, Rodger D.

CHANGE OF STATUS

Jackson State University

White, Samuel

TERMINATION

Delta State University

Britt, Sam G.

Hollimon, Virginia Anne Lamar, Quinton Curtis McClain, Jeremy

Morganti, Leroy E.

Ouzts, Peggy Ray, Sandy

Richardson, Roderick Small, Marcella K.

Stewart, Robert Thornell, Nita B.

Willis, Chris

Young, Frank

Young, Sally

Jackson State University

Mabonga, James Nakhaima

Mississippi State University

Burt, Roffie

Craycroft, Robert C.

Crumpton-Young, Lesia L.

Marszalek, John F.

Mississippi State University - Athletics

Beddingfield, Charles A., III

Smith, Melvin R.

Mississippi University for Women

Bartlett, Sandra

Smith, Gail

Mississippi Valley State University

Durham, Willie Roberts, Terry

Veal, Lizzie

Mississippi Valley State University - Athletics

Reynolds, Felita

University of Mississippi - Athletics

York, Michele W.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Andrew, Michael Ansarin, Khalil

Buntyn, Larry Ross, Jr. Farivar-Mohseni, Hesam Jackson, Gabriel D.

Peace, Robert Joseph

University of Southern Mississippi

Stanberry, James Phillip

EMERITA/EMERITUS STATUS

University of Southern Mississippi

Harrison, Cecil A.

- 2. **System Administration** Approved agenda items considered subsequent to the February 21, 2002 Board Meeting, as follows:
 - a. **UMMC** Approved employment of Annabelle Cabe.

RECOGNITION

Mr. Crawford recognized Dr. Leroy Morganti, Vice President for Executive Affairs and Chief of Staff at Delta State University, who is retiring on June 30, 2002. Mr. Crawford thanked Dr. Morganti for his years of service.

3. **System Administration** - Approved foreign travel as follows:

FOREIGN TRAVEL

Delta State University

Ayers, Gene San Juan, Puerto Rico and St. Thomas, Antigua, St. Vincent

Jackson State University

Tchounwou, Paul B. St. Petersburg, Russia

Mississippi State University

Aktosun, Tuncay

Allen, Edward

Boggess, Lois

Bullard, Steve

Burg, Clarence Oscar E.

Cinella, Pasquale

Waterloo, Canada

Ottawa, Canada

Honolulu, Hawaii

Penang, Malaysia

Fukuoka, Japan

Bari, Italy

Crudden, Adele Toronto, Canada Dobson, Ted Quebec City, Canada

Emplaincourt, Edmond A. Brussels, Belgium; Grenoble, France; and Germany

Ezell, Andrew W. Nancy, France
Foster, G. Sam Penang, Malaysia
Frank, John Jay Toronto, Canada

Grimes, Paul W. Moscow, Novosibirsk, and Omsk, Russia

Groce, Eric Budapest, Hungary

Hagler, Marion Montreal and Toronto, Canada Hendren, Marcia St. Johns, Newfoundland, Canada

Hernandez, Rafael San Juan, Puerto Rico

Hernandez de Lopez, Ana Maria Berlin, Germany

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Howard, Esther Budapest, Hungary Jackson, Donald C. Penang, Malaysia Karr, Bob L. Penang, Malaysia

Lawrence, Gary W. Tenerife, Canary Islands LeJeune, B. J. Toronto, Canada Leopold, Bruce D. Penang, Malaysia

Lox, John Q. Quebec, Belgium, France, and Germany

Luck, Rogelio West Bromwich, England

Maxson, John H. Toronto, Canada
McNair, Frances Mexico City, Mexico
Munn, Ian Penang, Malaysia
Nagel, David Toronto, Canada

Nicholas, Darrel D. Cardiff, Wales, United Kingdom

Peacock, Evan

Pedlow, Christine (Student)

Penang, Malaysia

Pinchuk, Lesya M.

Rafferty, Janet

Raymond, Robert J.

Sansing, William

Schmitz, Darrel W.

Durham, England

Quebec, Canada

Toronto, Canada

Montreal, Canada

Schultz, Tor P. Cardiff, South Wales, United Kingdom and Sweden

Schulz, Noel Montreal, Quebec, Canada Shim Jung P. London, United Kingdom

Skelly, Sonja M.

Spencer, Barbara A.

Toronto, Canada
Berlin, Germany
Cuernavaca, Mexico
Williams, Michele (Student)

Wilson, Robert P.

Rhodes, Greece

Mississippi University for Women

Richardson, Thomas C. Oxford, England and Glasgow, Scotland

Mississippi Valley State University

Golden, Kathie Pretoria and Richards Bay, South Africa

University of Mississippi

Bass, Henry Salford, Great Britain

Buskes, Gerard Accra, Ghana
Byrnes, Brett Salamanca, Spain
Cassidy, Judith London, England

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Coles, Felice San Juan, Puerto Rico Cremaldi, Lucien Geneva, Switzerland

Dor, George Accra, Ghana and Cambridge, England

Everett, George Munich, Germany

Ferreira, Daneel Johannesburg, Bloemfontein, Port Elizabeth and Capetown,

South Africa

Fifteen Students Munich, Germany
Fifteen Students Belize City, Belize

Fifty Students Salamanca, Madrid and Toledo, Spain

Frisch, Dagmar Victoria, Canada Gabrynowicz, Joanne Vienna, Australia Gaston, Gary Belize City, Belize

Gochfeld, Deborah Guam, Saipan, and Thailand

Goulet, Tamara

Goulet, Tamara

Belize City, Belize

Belize City, Belize

Belize City, Belize

Toronto, Canada

McGee, Thomas

Vancouver, Canada

Ochs, Cliff

Accra, Ghana

Payne, Elizabeth

Quinney, Anne

Accra, Ghana

Paris, France

Sagaser, Dave Hamilton and Kitchener, Canada

Sanders, David Geneva, Switzerland Schirmer, Gregory Dublin, Ireland

Slattery, Marc Guam, Saipan, and Thailand

Threlkeld, Stephen Victoria, Canada
Twenty Students London, England
Twenty-Five Students Paris, France

Walker, Larry Bangkok, Thailand and Beijing, China

Walsh, Timothy Sorrento, Italy

Young, Debra London, Oxford and Cambridge, England

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Conerly, A. Wallace Taipei, Taiwan Jones, Daniel W. Sydney, Australia

Davidson, Victor Southampton, United Kingdom

Elkin, T. David Montreal, Canada Ho, Ing K. Taipei, Taiwan Markov, Angel K. Beijing, China Patel, Ramesh B. Pinar del Rio, Cuba

Reckelhoff, Jane F. Helsinki, Finland and Puebla, Mexico

Russell, William F. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

University of Southern Mississippi

Bontempi, Paula Canada Falconer, Renee Scotland Frashillo, Thomas Italy Goff. David Finland Goldblett, Andrew (Student) Canada Canada Hoffman, Brian (Student) Hunter, Sam (Student) Canada Kaufman, Jeffrey France Lilly, Nicole (Student) Portugal

Mahoney, Kevin (Student)

Mitra, Amal

Niroomand, Farhang

Osgood, Robert (Student)

Patterson, Rhonda

Iceland-Scotland

Bangladesh

Japan

Portugal

Portugal

Patterson, Rhonda Portugal
Phillips, Dennis Canada
Post, Jenny (Student) Canada

Quiroz, Erik (Student) Iceland-Scotland

Richards, Janet Scotland
Shulman, Igor Belgium
Spruill, Marjorie England
Unnold, Yvonne Mexico

System Administration - Emergency approval of foreign travel was granted by Commissioner Thomas D.

Layzell per *Board Policy* 705.0103 for the following:

Alcorn State University

White, Kitonva Portland, Jamaica

Jackson State University

Reddy, Remata S. Uji, Kyoto, Japan

Mississippi State University

Patteson, Richard Barcelona and Madrid, Spain

University of Mississippi

Grace, Cathy
Hadden, Richard
Herron, Hope
Belize City, Belize
Honolulu, Hawaii
Belize City, Belize

Husni, Samir Helsinki, Finland Johnson, Leslie G. Kona, Hawaii

Seiner, John Manchester, England

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Peirce, Anne Puerto Rico

University of Southern Mississippi

Douglas, Dianna Italy
Gwozdz, Lawrence Poland
Netchaev, Dimitri Hawaii
Niroomand, Farhang France
Stringer, Gary England

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

Presented by Dr. Thomas Layzell

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Dr. Davidson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves agenda items #1 - #6, as submitted on the Unanimous Consent Agenda.

1. **DSU** - Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$7,440,000 to the low bidder, Malouf Construction Corporation, for **GS** #102-171, Administration Building, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the project budget. Bids were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternates
1. Malouf Construction Corporation	\$7,440,000	1. (\$211,000)
		2. \$ 11,830
		3. (\$ 72,300)
		4. (\$152,000)
		5. (\$ 14,400)
2. Benchmark Construction Corporation	\$7,491,000	1. (\$317,246)
		2. (\$128,925)
		3. (\$153,200)
		4. (\$135,000)
		5. (\$ 15,000)
3. Kenneth R. Thompson, Jr., Builder, Inc.	\$7,498,000	1. (\$225,000)
		2. (\$ 25,000)
		3. (\$150,000)
		4. (\$150,000)
		5. (\$ 40,000)

4. JESCO, Inc.	\$7,521,000	1. (\$212,000)
	(Base bid \$7,536,000	2. \$ 45,000
	less \$15,000 written	3. (\$ 75,000)
	on outside of envelope.)	4. (\$160,000)
	on outside of envelope.)	5. (\$ 600)
5. Roy Collins Construction Co., Inc.	\$7,581,000	1. (\$185,000)
3. Roy Commis Construction Co., Inc.	Ψ7,301,000	2. \$ 0
		3. (\$165,000)
		4. (\$140,000)
		5. (\$ 20,000)
6. Charles N. White Construction Company	\$7,790,000	1. (\$220,000)
or charge in white construction company	<i>\$7,770,000</i>	2. (\$ 20,000)
		3. (\$150,000)
		4. (\$160,000)
		5. (\$ 20,000)
7. W. G. Yates & Sons Construction Co.	\$7,820,000	1. (\$317,000)
	+ · , · = · , · · ·	2. (\$ 16,000)
		3. (\$ 69,000)
		4. (\$106,000)
		5. (\$ 17,000)
8. Carothers Construction, Inc.	\$7,985,000	1. (\$300,000)
,	. , ,	2. (\$ 75,000)
		3. (\$158,000)
		4. (\$141,000)
		5. (\$ 23,000)
9. Sanderson Construction, Co.	\$8,022,000	1. (\$212,000)
		2. \$ 23,000
		3. (\$173,000)
		4. (\$ 44,000)
		5. (\$ 23,000)
10. Inman Construction Corp.	\$8,098,000	1. (\$284,000)
		2. (\$ 38,000)
		3. (\$163,000)
		4. (\$159,000)
		5. (\$ 11,000)
11. Roy Anderson Corp	\$8,165,000	1. (\$237,000)
		2. \$ 0
		3. (\$159,000)
		4. (\$167,000)
		5. (\$ 1,000)
12. Don M. Barron Contractor, Inc.	\$8,300,000	1. (\$237,000)
		2. (\$ 97,800)
		3. (\$151,000)
		4. (\$130,000)
		5. (\$ 7,500)

2. **UM** - Approved employment of the following athletic personnel: Kristopher A. Grunwald and Matthew B. Luke.

- 3. **UM** Approved termination of the following athletic personnel: Richard A. Bisaccia.
- 4. **UM** Approved change of status for the following athletic personnel: Ronald A. Middleton.
- 5. **JSU** Approved change of status for the following personnel: Thomas Dunaye, Charles Spann, and Joseph M. Stevenson.
- 6. **USM** Approved request to purchase property located at 3102 Pearl Street, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The property is adjacent to the campus and is in keeping with the master development plan. The average of two appraisals is \$220,000 which is the proposed purchase price. Funds are available from the University's Plant Fund.

Mr. Crawford passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Ms. Ricki Garrett for consideration of the Legal Agenda.

LEGAL AGENDA

Ms. Ricki Garrett, Chair

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Ms. Newton, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves agenda item #1, as submitted on the following Legal Agenda. Agenda item #2 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting. Agenda items #3 - #5 were accepted on a separate motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Newton, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting.

- 1. **MSU** Approved request to renew contractual agreement for legal services with Needle & Rosenberg, P.C., to provide services necessary for obtaining patents for designs, processes, products, and other patentable materials developed in connection with the University. The contractual agreement is for the period April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003, and will not exceed \$100,000 during FY 2003.
- 2. **System Administration** Approved Attorney General's recommendation of employment of R. Stewart Smith to fill a vacancy in the Attorney General's IHL Education Section.
- 3. **System Administration (Information item.)** Payment of legal fees.
 - a. Approved payment of legal fees to outside counsel in relation to litigation and other matters, as follows:
 - Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by McGlinchey Stafford (Statements dated 9/14/01, 9/14/01, 9/14/01, 11/19/01, 10/1/01, 10/31/01, and 9/4/01) from the funds of

the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$531.78;
\$2,444.96; \$1,192.80; \$7,730.37; \$5,162.34; \$91,988.23; and \$11,475.11, respectively,
represent services and expenses in connection with various litigation.)

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TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Adams & Reese (Statement dated 1/15/02) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the <i>Wilson</i> case.)
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Adams & Reese (Statements dated $11/28/01$ and $7/24/01$) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$200.00 and \$1,926.25, respectively, represent services and expenses in connection with the <i>McDonald</i> case.)
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Stubblefield Harvey & Shivers (Statements dated 1/18/02) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (These statements, in the amounts of \$210.00; \$192.02; \$872.37; \$75.00; \$1,527.75; and \$1,062.77, represent services and expenses in connection with the <i>Breeden, Phillips, Thoma, Berthelsen, Thompson,</i> and <i>Allen</i> cases, respectively.)
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by McCalla, Thompson, Pyburn, Hymowitz & Shapiro (Statement dated 1/25/02) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the <i>Thompson</i> case.)
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins Ludlam Winter & Stennis (Statement dated 1/18/02) from the funds of Jackson State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the marketing agreement opinion letter.)
TOTAL DUE

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Dogan & Wilkinson (Statement dated 2/7/02) from the funds of The University of Mississippi. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with forest lands.)
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins Ludlam Winter & Stennis (Statement dated 2/22/02) from the funds of Jackson State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the JSU Marketing Agreement opinion letter.)
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Wells, Moore, Simpson & Hubbard (Statement dated $1/24/02$) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the <i>Salter</i> case.)
TOTAL DUE
Approved payment of legal fees to outside counsel in relation to patent matters, as follows: Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Needle & Rosenberg (Statement dated 1/22/02) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with a patent application for a "Hemiodialysis Tubing Adapter")
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Waddey & Patterson (Statement dated 1/7/02) from the funds of the University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with a patent for "Blood Pressure and Cardiovascular Function.")
TOTAL DUE
Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Piper Marbury Rudnick & Wolfe

b.

TOTAL DUE \$8,060.00

(Statements dated 11/21/01, 11/21/01, 12/17/01, 12/26/01, 1/22/02, 1/15/02, and 1/28/02) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (These statements, in the amounts of \$77.30; \$644.01; \$2,535.13; \$644.95; \$2,501.40; \$347.30; and \$1,309.91, represent services and

expenses in connection with various patent applications.)

- 4. **System Administration.** (**Information item.**) Accepted the quarterly litigation expense report relating to the IHL Tort Plan and IHL Workers' Compensation Plan. A copy of the report is included in the bound *March 21, 2002 Board Working File*.
- 5. **System Administration. (Information item.)** Approved, upon review and recommendation of the Office of the Attorney General, the Litigation Report for March 1, 2002. The report is included in the bound *March 21, 2002 Board Working File*.

Ms. Garrett passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Bill Crawford. Mr. Crawford asked Dr. Clinton Bristow to report on the Presidents' Council activities.

PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

Dr. Clinton Bristow, Jr., President Wednesday, March 20, 2002

CALL TO ORDER: President Bristow called the meeting to order, announcing that Commissioner Layzell would be unable to attend but would communicate via telephone.

FY2003 Budget: President Bristow reported Commissioner Layzell's comments on the current status of the budget in the legislature. The legislature recently adopted a reduced revenue estimate, but the leadership assured Dr. Layzell that this would not affect funding for higher education. The leadership also continues to search for bridge money, with estimates ranging from \$19 to \$24 million being made available for IHL. The House is looking at the possibility of getting revenue from fee-based state agencies as an alternative to general fund sources. This strategy could yield as much as \$60 million for all state agencies.

Tuition and Fees: Dr. Layzell reported that Board members are concerned about endorsing a possible tuition increase, and about responding to some constituents who are opposing an increase. He indicated that the presidents will have to build a case to achieve any increase. Dr. Layzell's intention is to bring a final proposal to the Board on this matter at the May meeting, leaving the intervening time to lay the groundwork for a final decision. Council members discussed the pros and cons of seeking student, faculty, and staff endorsement of an increase, but agreed that it was not timely to pursue this approach aggressively. Instead, members agreed to ask that the presentation to the Legislature on behalf of the Student Government Association presidents be mailed to all IHL Board members. Council members also agreed that each president should prepare a statement outlining the consequences of cuts already taken, as well as, the potential impact of additional cuts should tuition not increase.

Program Review: Dr. Layzell reported on a meeting with Mr. Roy Klumb and Ms. Ricki Garrett regarding program review. Dr. Layzell noted their interest in asking for a more extensive review of graduate programs, including the standards for program productivity and the issue of duplication of programs. He indicated their intention to raise this concern at the Board meeting. Dr. Layzell did not think this would result in a

recommendation for changing the numerical productivity benchmarks, but that, instead, the discussion would relate to the Board's review of institutional missions. A concern was raised about the impact of potential program reductions on institutions' Carnegie classifications.

Institutional Missions: Dr. Layzell reiterated his request that each institution provide a draft mission statement, along the lines of the materials he previously distributed outlining the Georgia system approach to mission. He indicated an interest in the Board reviewing its own mission statement and that of the IHL system in addition to institutional missions. Further discussion of this issue will be undertaken via a teleconference call prior to the April meeting.

Management Review: Dr. Layzell reported that the staff is still pursuing consolidation of institutional computer operations with the assistance of a consultant. He also mentioned continued work with the draft management indicators previously reviewed by the presidents. The intent is to present a final draft to the Board at the April meeting, with prior review by the presidents.

Math-Science Partnership Program: Dr. Bristow reported on a new NSF program that awards significant funds to states to improve K-12 math and science education, under the President's No Child Left Behind initiative. He indicated that NSF would be seeking consortium-based proposals rather than competing proposals from individual institutions within a state. He proposed that all eight IHL institutions constitute a consortium and submit a single proposal. He recognized that some institutions had already developed individual proposals and asked members to determine if they could support a change to a single proposal. He reported that a letter of intent had been submitted with the consortium arrangement, as required to qualify for the funds. Council members endorsed the consortium approach, with some needing to verify their commitment with those who had written individual proposals before finalizing this agreement. A suggestion was to anticipate these consortium-based opportunities at an earlier stage so that Council members would not make individual commitments that later would have to be reversed.

National Science Foundation Meeting: Drs. Bristow, Khayat, and Potter were scheduled to meet with Dr. Rita Colwell, Director of the NSF, regarding the match requirement for the Mississippi Alliance for Minority Participation program. The goal was to get NSF to reduce the match. [NOTE: Dr. Bristow subsequently sent the Council members a report on the results of this meeting.]

Other Items: Council members briefly reported on other items including: 1) the likelihood of a retirement bill emerging from this Legislative session-- If this were to happen, it would be advantageous for institutions to share ideas about how to implement this bill; 2) the two bills related to IHL Board membership, with the House bill recommending six-year terms, the Senate bill eight-year terms; 3) a suggestion that the Council consider a "staff benefit" of closing offices on Wednesday afternoons in the summer. No action was taken on this suggestion.

Mr. Crawford asked Dr. Thomas Layzell to give an overview on the budget cuts. The chairmanship of the Board meeting then passed to Mr. Thomas Colbert for consideration of the Efficiencies Task Force Agenda.

EFFICIENCIES TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Thomas Colbert, Chair

On motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Nicholson, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves agenda item #1, as submitted on the following report.

1. **System Administration** - Approved consolidation of the twelve existing contracts into one contract with SCT Software and Resource Management Corporation, subject to review and approval of the contract by IHL Board staff and the Attorney General's Office.

Mr. Colbert passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Ms. Ricki Garrett for a report on the activities of the Mississippi University for Women Presidential Search Committee.

MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Ms. Ricki Garrett, Chair

The MUW Search Committee has been meeting over the last couple of weeks conducting first-round interviews. Ms. Garrett expressed her appreciation for the time and energy that the Committee members have devoted to the search. The Committee has been efficient about selecting the final candidates to go forward to the campus interviews. An announcement will be made today about which candidates were selected as finalists for the week of campus interviews beginning April 1, 2002. A schedule for that week will be passed out to the Board members. Generally, on the first day each candidate will attend a reception with the Campus Advisory Committee and the Board, then attend dinner with the Board. The next day the candidate spends meeting with every constituent group of the University. Following each meeting, a member of each constituent group reports to the Board about the candidate. That same night the process begins again with the next candidate. At the end of each day, a press conference will be held with that candidate. At the end of the week, the Board will announce the next president of MUW.

Ms. Garrett passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton for a report on the activities of the University of Southern Mississippi Presidential Search Committee.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Chair

The USM Search Committee met on March 14, 15, and 20, 2002 to interview eleven candidates. Ms. Newton thanked the Board members for their participation. The Committee has had some very long days, but progress is being made. The candidates have been short-listed. At this time, those candidates that will be going to the campus interviews will undergo background checks over the next seven days. The USM finalists will probably be announced a week from today. The Committee plans to be on campus the week of April 7, 2002. Since there are two campuses, the USM process for each candidate will take two days and will begin on Sunday night with the first candidate. Each candidate will spend a day and a half in Hattiesburg and a day on the Gulf Coast. Hopefully by the end of that week, the Committee will announce the next president of USM.

Ms. Newton passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Carl Nicholson for consideration of the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee.

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Mr. Carl Nicholson, Chair

The Search Committee hired Mr. Bill Funk from Korn/Ferry as consultant for the search. Members of the Campus Advisory Committee will be announced today. Campus interviews will probably be moved back to mid or late June. Mr. Funk felt like the Committee would not be ready as soon as previously thought.

Mr. Nicholson passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Bill Crawford.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Mr. Crawford thanked the members of the Mississippi University for Women Presidential Search Committee and The University of Southern Mississippi Presidential Search Committee for all of their hard work. He also cautioned each Board member to make every effort to attend the final interviews to be held on each campus.
- 2. Mr. Crawford announced that the Mississippi University for Women Presidential Search Committee would meet in executive session immediately following the Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

U	no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Colbert, seconded by Mr. Griely absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn.
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	President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1

Resolution authorizing MVSU to file an application to the Mississippi Department of Transportation for a grant to assist in providing transportation services.